

**CITY OF GONZALES, TEXAS
CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL CALLED MEETING
MINUTES –OCTOBER 14, 2021**

The Special Called Meeting of the City Council was held on **October 14, 2021** at 5:02 p.m. at the Gonzales Municipal Building, 820 St. Joseph Street. This was an OPEN MEETING, open to the public, subject to the open meeting laws of the State of Texas and, as required by law, was duly posted, at the Gonzales Municipal Building, giving notice of time, date, place, and agenda thereof. The meeting notice, agenda and agenda packet were posted online at www.gonzales.texas.gov.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Kacir called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m. and a quorum was certified.

Attendee Name	Title	Status
Connie L. Kacir	Mayor	Present
Joseph Kridler	Council Member, District 1	Present
Sherri Koepp	Council Member, District 2	Present
Bobby O’Neal	Council Member, District 3	Present
Robert R. Brown, Jr.	Council Member, District 4	Absent

STAFF PARTICIPATING:

Tim Patek-City Manager, Laura Zella-Finance Director, Kristina Vega-City Secretary, Keith Schmidt-Fire Chief and members of the Fire Department were present.

HEARING OF RESIDENTS

Scott Raven, Matt Fellows spoke in regards to their thoughts for the structure of the Fire Department.

Administrative Services Director/ City Secretary read several letters regarding the same that were received from Fire Department staff.

ACTION ITEMS

- 1.1 Discuss, Consider and Possible Action regarding the structure of the Gonzales Fire Department and the potential creation of a Full-time paid Fire Chief Position.

The City Council and staff deliberated regarding the structure of the Fire Department pertaining to the potential creation of a Full-time paid Fire Chief position.

CONVENE INTO CLOSED SESSION:

The Council convened into closed session at 6:01 p.m.

- (1) Pursuant to Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code, the City of Gonzales will consult in closed session with its attorney to receive legal advice regarding pending or contemplated litigation, a settlement offer, or matter in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with this chapter”, to include the following matters:

(a) Agenda item 1.1 regarding the structure of the Gonzales Fire Department and the potential creation of a Full-time paid Fire Chief Position

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

The Council convened into open session at 6:22 p.m.

No action was taken resulting from closed session.

ADJOURN

On a motion by Council Member O'Neal and a second by Council Member Koepp, the meeting was adjourned at 6:23 p.m.

Approved this 18th day of November 2021.



Connie Kacir, Mayor



Kristina Vega, City Secretary